

Romance and Realism.
If a man and woman could have the wish of their ante-bridal days, and "be all alone in the world forever," they would stand it about three days and then give the welcome to a tin peddler that survivors of a North Pole party give to a relief expedition.

"I wish to purchase a hat for myself," she whispered softly. "Merry Widow?" asked the cheery salesman? "No, doleful wife," was the pathetic rejoinder.—Brooklyn Life.

Fastboy—Really, dear, you shouldn't wait supper for me this way when I'm detained at the office. Mrs. Fastboy—Supper, you idiot! The maid just laid the table for breakfast.—Puck.

Mr. Spendthrift—Your bill is to me a great sadness. Creditor—I only wish it were a settled melancholy.—Harper's Bazar.

Robbins—I didn't think you had any idea of marrying the widow. Newlywed—I hadn't; it was an idea of hers.—Saturday Sunset.

KANSAS CITY THEATRES

WILLIS WOOD, WEEK OF JAN. 24.
The dramatized version of this fine work will pay a special return visit to the Willis Wood Theater for one week commencing Sunday, January 24, matinees being given on Wednesday and Saturday, with Guy Standing and Theodore Robert in their famous impersonations, Charley Steele and Joe Portugals. Mr. Eugene W. Presbrey, in his dramatization, has dwelt largely on the characteristic as it stands today, appeals strongly to the amusement loving public, and still furnishes food for thought. One of the most interesting features of "The Right of Way" is the adroit manner in which the play combines the qualities of naturalism and romance.

Celestine—And has Mr. Pryor's church such a small congregation? Hilda—Yes, indeed. Every time he says "Dearly beloved" you feel as if you had received a proposal.—The Bohemian.

Guide—Kindly notice the long time that elapses before the echo of my voice reaches us. Hello, hello, hello! Echo (few seconds later)—Hello, hello, hello! Mrs. Newrich (formerly a telephone operator, absently)—Number, please!—Philadelphia Inquirer.

PATENTS ISSUED JAN. 5, 1909.

Missouri.
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Kansas.
W. F. Carlton, Advance, Mo., pneumatic grain-conveyer, No. 908445; H. A. Forkner and J. E. H. H. Cloud, Con-cord, Kans., assignor of one-half to J. T. McKenna, Topeka, Kans., display-rack, No. 908548; S. V. Day, Wichita, Kans., pneumatic calliope, No. 908968; T. J. Hume, assignor to Hume Mfg. Co., Kansas City, Kans., laundry-making machine, No. 908873; D. M. Main, Cheney, Kans., automatic collecting and delivering apparatus, No. 908583; W. M. Rhoades, Jola, Kans., tool-holder, No. 908804; J. P. Rogers, Topeka, Kans., re-inforced concrete manhole-cover, No. 908805; F. X. Schumaker, Ft. Scott, Kans., harness, No. 908891; J. H. Todd, Erie, Kans., burial-receptacle, No. 908828; I. F. Zimmerman, Coffeyville, Kans., burner, No. 908636.

OKLAHOMA.
J. F. Appleby, Loreno, Okla., cotton-boll gatherer, No. 908837; J. F. Appleby, Loreno, Okla., cotton-picking finger, No. 908838; J. R. Crabtree, Keota, Okla., head-gate, No. 908961; C. L. Dickerman and W. Newman, Ardmore, Okla., gas-stove, No. 908451; J. P. High, Fairview, Okla., fire-expander, No. 908669; A. H. McCutchan, Helena, Okla., bolting machine, No. 908486; J. M. Sheppard, Kelly, Okla., valve-operating mechanism for presses, No. 908616.

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CATCH AT A STRAW

DEMOCRATIC HOPE OF REMAINING A PARTY.

Henry D. Clayton Urges His Fellows to Frame a Complete Tariff Bill—Obvious Weakness in the Purpose.

A party that ignores the tariff as a leading issue ceases to be a national party. The Democratic party has long ceased to have claim upon the nation, because it has turned aside to adventitious issues instead of pursuing the highway of political expression. This is the view taken by Henry D. Clayton, chairman of the Democratic caucus of the house of representatives. He urges his fellows to frame a complete tariff bill in order to meet the Republicans point by point with counter schedules. There would certainly be no objection on the part of the Republicans for the Democrats to take this course. The tariff is a national question, more broadly so, perhaps, than any other. The more enlightening the discussion of it the better.

Yet the Democrats have no position on the subject. They may claim, as they will, that they are a party for this, that or the other kind of tariff; the fact is that Mr. Bryan so subordinated the issue that the genius of the Democrats for making free trade pleas has ceased. They have gotten out of line with this subject in pursuing will-o'-the-wisps that Bryan originated. The bulk of the Democratic party was ready enough to follow these false fires. It had renounced the attitude of Cleveland upon the subject, and, therefore, had only to accept in effect the attitude of the Republicans, or go into the bush to hunt for new game. They chose to do the latter. Now that the game bag is utterly empty, they seek to take a pot-shot at the tariff.

Mr. Clayton would have his party cease to be a party of opposition and assume a positive stand. If it assumed the stand on the tariff that the Democratic platform advocated, it would discriminate between articles upon the principle that the one or the other did not furnish trust material. This would not by any means be framing a new measure "from agates to zinc." There is no authority in the party platform for a thorough-going tariff bill. If the caucus should adopt such a course of action it would be but adding futility to futility.

The question behind the proposal of Mr. Clayton is: Has the Democracy enough inherent vitality left to become a really national party? The intention of the conservatives is, of course, to seek to bring the old position to the fore. The intent is to enable the Democrats during the next four years to so reorganize their old principles as to throw off the incubus of Bryanism. This would be a feat upon the accomplishment of which the Democrats would be subjects of congratulation. But the obvious purpose and the inherent weakness of a tariff fight would discount the efforts of the party's representatives in congress. It would be a feeble and ineffective exhibition, and for this very reason might afford Mr. Bryan new ground to claim that without him the party's moribund.

The United States and Cuba.

The United States, much better satisfied with Cuba as a small independent neighbor than with Cuba as an adoptive child requiring more than parental responsibilities, should not only do all in its power to discourage the beginnings of revolution—and this it has done fully and honestly—but it should establish an active information bureau to make public both in Cuba and in the United States all the facts it can gather as to the true origin of semi-revolutionary disturbances at their very inception. In this way it may produce an improved popular understanding of the real meaning of Cuban insurrections, and help greatly toward an intelligent judgment as to what the best method will be to control them, short of annexation.

Knox Ideal Secretary of State.

No one worth listening to has yet suggested that Mr. Taft made a mistake when he appointed Senator Knox as secretary of state. The foreign relations of the country have no longer the vague and intangible significance that they had a few years ago before America acquired "dependencies"—if that un-American word may be used—and before she inserted so large a finger into the cooking-pot of the world policies. No one can imagine Senator Knox as guilty of an indiscretion. No one can imagine him as exceeding the pace of the most cautious and conservative diplomacies. He will never be detected in an impetuosity or a spreadeagledism.—San Francisco Argonaut.

Mr. Bryan has offered several explanations of his third defeat, but it has not occurred to him that there was the slightest deficiency in the unsuccessful candidate.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

DEATH BY FIRE AND WATER.

Heavy Loss of Life in Chicago Explosion.

Chicago, Ill.—With a mile and a half of treacherous drifting ice cutting them off from ready communication with the shore, at least 53 workmen are included among the list of missing and the majority of these are known to be dead, as the result of a fire which had its origin Wednesday in a powder vault attached to the intermediate crib in Lake Michigan used in the construction of a new water tunnel connecting with the south side of the city at Seventy-third street. Ninety-five workmen were employed in the crib and the connecting tunnel at the time of the fire, but the work of the destroying element was begun so unexpectedly and reaped its harvest of dead and injured with such swiftness that the contracting firm of George W. Jackson and the rescuers have been unable to arrive at anything like an accurate list of those who perished and others who escaped the flames or the icy waters of the lake.

After several hours of rescue work in which heroism stood forth even in the heavy fog and drifting smoke 39 workmen were rescued and when the fire tug Conway and its crew had succeeded in quenching the flames, 53 bodies had been carried to the shore and placed in morgues in South Chicago awaiting identification. The bodies of the victims in the majority of instances were unrecognizable.

The scenes on shore and in the morgues in South Chicago and Grand Crossing were rife with sorrow and desolation. Women thinly clad offered fabulous prices to owners of small boats to be taken to the scene of the disaster. Children cried and as each boat load of victims was carried ashore by the police and transferred to the waiting patrol wagons and ambulances, force became necessary to keep the bereaved people from attempting the task of identification there and then.

COPELAND FIRE VERDICT.

Topeka Firemen Censured for Not Saving Lambert.

Topeka, Kan.—A verdict by the coroner's jury in the inquest over the body of I. E. Lambert, who was killed in the Copeland hotel fire here last Thursday morning, was reached Wednesday night and censured the firemen for not effecting a rescue of Mr. Lambert with the aerial truck. The verdict says: "We find that the firemen rendered heroic and efficient service in saving the lives of the inmates of the building and we believe that if the aerial truck could have been handled to the best advantage, the life of I. E. Lambert might have been saved."

The verdict also finds the building was not equipped for a fire in accordance with the state laws.

A KANSAS COMPROMISE.

A Conference at Topeka With Railroad Interests.

Topeka, Kan.—A compromise between the railroads of the state and the state railroad commission to settle the controversy over the distance tariffs on freight shipments, may result in taking the cases out of court. A conference was held in the governor's office Wednesday and the terms the railroads are willing to offer were explained. Gov. Stubbs did not think them sufficient to warrant a promise that no new action would be begun and did not express himself on whether or not they would warrant rescinding the board's order that caused the suits. It is understood reductions of from 5 to 50 per cent can be secured from the railroads on various classes of freight.

COUNTY OFFICIALS IN TROUBLE.

Proceedings Have Been Begun Against Leavenworth Commissioners.

Topeka, Kansas.—The supreme court has issued an order prohibiting M. C. Kennedy, a county commissioner of Leavenworth county, from voting on 28 bills for repairing bridges which have been presented to the board. A suit was filed last week to oust Kennedy from office because of alleged corruption. It was charged that he conspired with J. F. Mottin, C. E. Thompson and J. B. Tearney to allow larger bills for repairing bridges than the actual work justified. In addition to the items specifically mentioned in the charges Kennedy is prohibited from voting on any similar item or to vote on appointments to fill vacancies in the office of county commissioner of Leavenworth county.

Big Price for Broom Corn.

Woodward, Oklahoma.—Standard broom corn was sold here Wednesday for \$120 a ton, which, it is said, is the highest price ever paid in Oklahoma.

MISSOURI STATE NEWS

Model Farm at Kirksville Normal.

The First State Normal school at Kirksville will soon have a farm run in connection with the school in order to give the students the practical training in agriculture. Fifteen thousand dollars will be spent in acquiring an 80-acre tract and in erecting the necessary buildings for the young farmers. It is planned to construct on this farm an ideal country home which will be occupied by a number of students. There will, likewise, be an ideal barn, pig pens and other farm buildings. But the aims of the farm management will be through training in dairying and poultry raising under the most favorable conditions. The farm is within about half a mile of the normal school buildings. All of the carpenter work done on the houses and barns and all of the plowing and cultivating will be done by students who will receive compensation for their services. President Kirk says that it will be a kind of cooperative institution which will give the needy students a chance to earn a livelihood.

Oldest Man in Missouri.

Uncle Henry Dorman, the oldest man in Missouri, has celebrated his one hundred and tenth birthday anniversary at his home in Liberal. He was born in Steuben county, N. Y., January 10, 1799. In 1863 he enlisted in Company F, Seventh regiment volunteer cavalry. He was then 64 years of age. He fought in the battle of Gettysburg and other notable engagements. He was wounded at the battle of Yellow Tavern, Va., having his right hand shot to pieces. At the close of the war Henry Dorman and family moved to Vernon county, Mo. His pension was increased to \$50 per month by a special act of congress February 7, 1908. He is a member of G. A. R. post, No. 34, Lamar, Mo.

Choir Singing During Fire.

During the song service preceding the sermon at the First Congregational church at New Cambria, fire broke out in the building, which was filled with people. The choir continued singing and the organist at the organ until the church was cleared and no one was injured. A bucket brigade was formed and after hard work the building was saved.

Died From Fall on Stairway.

Dr. John S. Logan, capitalist, one of the pioneer residents of St. Joseph, while stepping from the doorway of the Logan block, which he owns, fell on the icy walk and fractured his skull, dying immediately. He was 72 years of age and had been a surgeon in the Civil war.

Rabbits One Cent Each.

More than 250,000 rabbits were shipped from Springfield to St. Louis, New Orleans and Memphis markets during one week recently. Rabbits were sold at Springfield at one cent each after the recent snow.

Wife's Death Causes Own.

John Romboutz, pioneer Missourian, could not be made to believe his wife was dead until led to her coffin by her attendants and shown. Then he died from the shock. He was deaf and weak from senility.

Clinton Moving Picture House Burned.

A moving picture theater at Clinton burned the other day. It was owned by W. H. Shull. The loss is about \$5,000.

Mississippi County "Dry."

Mississippi county outside of California went "dry" by a safe majority at the recent local option election.

Boy Is Crushed to Death.

Paul Edwards, a boy of 13 years, was crushed to death at the Wabash roundhouse in Moberly. Paul was sent to the roundhouse to summon his uncle to the bedside of the boy's mother, who is in a dying condition at her home on Allen street. While at the roundhouse he was knocked down and run over by a pair of moving trucks.

A Rushville Building Burned.

The building used by the Christian church and the I. O. O. F. at Rushville burned the other night. The fire started from a stove in the I. O. O. F. hall. The fire threatened all the business part of town and the lack of fire fighting apparatus made it very hard to keep the flames from spreading to other buildings.

A Parkville Coasting Accident.

Four young women were injured at Parkville when a bobsled upon which they were riding capsized. Miss Esther McAfee, daughter of Prof. L. M. McAfee, president of Park college, suffered a fracture of her right leg.

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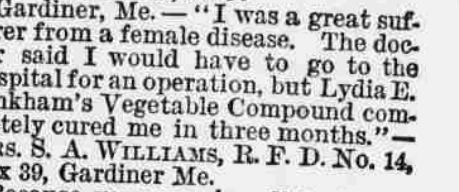
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Friendly Advice.
"If I ever marry," said the bachelor who was beginning to be old, "I shall be careful to pick out a lady whom I can treat as my equal."
"Oh, say, old chap," answered the married man. "I wouldn't do that if I were you. I can tell you from experience that a woman who would submit to such treatment wouldn't be worth having around the house."

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years it has been cured by constantly failing prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing Science has proven Catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only Constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 4 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer out hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials.
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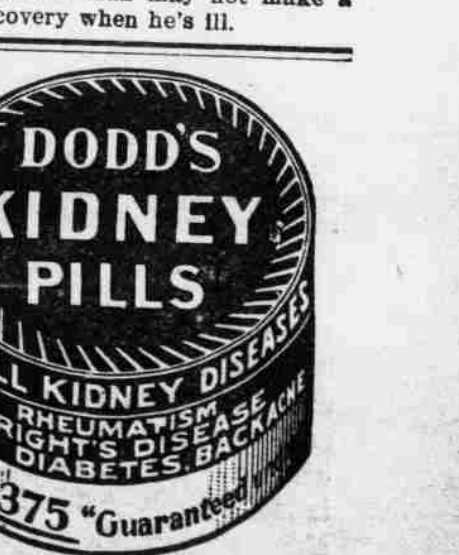
Men are sometimes so good and so great, that one is led to exclaim: Oh, that they were only a little better and a little greater!—J. H. Newman.

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